

REMARKS

Claims 13-14, 24, and 31-40 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 15, 16, 22, and 25 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1-12, 15-23, and 25-30 are pending.

The abstract has been amended to not exceed 150 words.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 14 and 24-25 contain allowable subject matter. Claim 1 as amended is intended to include all of the limitations of claim 14 as well as the base claim and any intervening claims. It is therefore believed that claim 1 is allowable.

Claims 2-12 and 15-21 depend from claim 1 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Claim 22 as amended is intended to include all of the limitations of claim 24 as well as the base claim and any intervening claims. It is therefore believed that claim 22 is allowable.

Claims 23 and 25-30 depend from claim 22 and are believed to be allowable for the same reasons described above.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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